Practice: 422 - Hedgerow Planting

Scenario: #1 - Wildlife, Warm Season Grass

## **Scenario Description:**

Typically installed in or at the edge of cropland or pasture this scenario is used to address the Inadequate Habitat for Fish and Wildlife resource concern. Specifically, the establishment of dense vegetation in a linear design can be used to provide for several habitat elements depending on the needs identified in the habitat assessment. This scenario can provide: habitat conectivity, food, and cover for wildlife depending on design and plant species selection. The 422 standard for wildlife criteria calls for a minimum of two species of native plants. Typical installation involves tillage to prepare the site for planting. 2 Trees and/or shrubs adapted for local climatic and edaphic conditions are typically plant at eight foot intervals (this will vary with species selection and density goals). A mix of 2 native warm season grasses adapted to the local climatic and edaphic conditions will be drilled into the site at a rate that will achieve a minimum of 20 seeds per square foot. The species list in the component section of this scenario are strictly for deriving a cost. Plant species adapted to the local climatic and edaphic conditions that address the resource concern will be stated in the specification for the site. There is tremendous overlap between this practice and conservation practice 380 Windbreak/Shelterbelt establishment. The main difference is that conservation practice 380 is exclusively woody plants where practice 422 provides for the use of herbaceous materials. If a fence is needed to facilitate establishment use practice 382, Fence.

## **Before Situation:**

Habitat patches lack connectivity. Cover is inadequate to allow wildlife to exploit cropland food resources. Berries and mast are limited.

## After Situation:

Inadequate habitat for fish and wildlife is addressed for needs identified in the resource assessment. Habitat patches are connected by dense hedgerow vegetation. Food resources in crop fields are made availble by their proximity to hedgerow cover. Planting may include fruit and mast bearing species, improving food supply, depending on needs being addressed.

Scenario Feature Measure: Length of Hedgerow

Scenario Unit: Feet

Scenario Typical Size: 800

Scenario Cost: \$599.17 Scenario Cost/Unit: \$0.75

Cost Details (by category): Price **Component Name Component Description** Unit **Quantity Cost** (\$/unit) Equipment/Installation Seeding Operation, No 960 No Till drill or grass drill for seeding. Includes equipment, Acre \$20.25 0.25 \$5.06 Till/Grass Drill power unit and labor costs. \$3.94 Tillage, Primary 946 Includes heavy disking (offset) or chisel plow. Includes \$15.74 0.25 Acre equipment, power unit and labor costs. Labor \$19.09 25 \$477.25 General Labor 231 Labor performed using basic tools such as power tool, Hour shovels, and other tools that do not require extensive training. Ex. pipe layer, herder, concrete placement, materials spreader, flagger, etc. Materials One Species, Warm Season, 2322 Native, warm season perennial grass. Includes material \$65.98 0.25 \$16.50 Acre Native Perennial Grass and shipping only. Animal repellent, chemical 1907 Chemical animal repellent to protect trees from animal Gallon \$33.72 0.25 \$8.43 damage. Includes materials and shipping only. 1555 24" tall vexar or other open weave tubular tree shelter to \$0.51 100 \$51.00 Tree shelter, mesh tree tube, Each 24" protect from animal damage. Materials only. \$0.37 100 \$37.00 Tree, hardwood, seedling or 1510 Bare root hardwood trees 18-36" tall. Includes materials Each transplant, bare root, 16-36" and shipping only.

Practice: 422 - Hedgerow Planting Scenario: #2 - Wildlife Cool Season

## **Scenario Description:**

Typically installed in or at the edge of cropland or pasture this scenario is used to address the Inadequate Habitat for Fish and Wildlife resource concern. Specifically, the establishment of dense vegetation in a linear design can be used to provide for several habitat elements depending on the needs identified in the habitat assessment. This scenario can provide: habitat conectivity, food, and cover for wildlife depending on design and plant species selection. The 422 standard for wildlife criteria calls for a minimum of two species of native plants. Typical installation involves tillage to prepare the site for planting. 2 Trees and/or shrubs adapted for local climatic and edaphic conditions are typically plant at eight foot intervals (this will vary with species selection and density goals). A native cool season grass adapted to the local climatic and edaphic conditions will be drilled into the site at a rate that will achieve a minimum of 20 seeds per square foot. The species list in the component section of this scenario are strictly for deriving a cost. Plant species adapted to the local climatic and edaphic conditions that address the resource concern will be stated in the specification for the site. There is tremendous overlap between this practice and conservation practice 380 Windbreak/Shelterbelt establishment. The main difference is that conservation practice 380 is exclusively woody plants where practice 422 provides for the use of herbaceous materials. If a fence is needed to facilitate establishment use practice 382, Fence.

## **Before Situation:**

Habitat patches lack connectivity. Cover is inadequate to allow wildlife to exploit cropland food resources. Berries and mast are limited.

# **After Situation:**

Inadequate habitat for fish and wildlife is addressed for needs identified in the resource assessment. Habitat patches are connected by dense hedgerow vegetation. Food resources in crop fields are made availble by their proximity to hedgerow cover. Planting may include fruit and mast bearing species, improving food supply, depending on needs being addressed.

Scenario Feature Measure: Length of Hedgerow

Scenario Unit: Feet

Scenario Typical Size: 800

Scenario Cost: \$620.19 Scenario Cost/Unit: \$0.78

Cost Details (by category): Price **Component Name Component Description** Unit **Quantity Cost** (\$/unit) Equipment/Installation Seeding Operation, No 960 No Till drill or grass drill for seeding. Includes equipment, Acre \$20.25 0.25 \$5.06 Till/Grass Drill power unit and labor costs. \$3.94 Tillage, Primary 946 Includes heavy disking (offset) or chisel plow. Includes \$15.74 0.25 Acre equipment, power unit and labor costs. Labor \$19.09 25 \$477.25 General Labor 231 Labor performed using basic tools such as power tool, Hour shovels, and other tools that do not require extensive training. Ex. pipe layer, herder, concrete placement, materials spreader, flagger, etc. Materials One Species, Cool Season, 2312 Native, cool season perennial grass. Includes material and | Acre \$150.04 0.25 \$37.51 Native Perennial Grass shipping only. Animal repellent, chemical 1907 Chemical animal repellent to protect trees from animal Gallon \$33.72 0.25 \$8.43 damage. Includes materials and shipping only. 1555 24" tall yexar or other open weave tubular tree shelter to \$0.51 100 \$51.00 Tree shelter, mesh tree tube, Each 24" protect from animal damage. Materials only. \$0.37 100 \$37.00 Tree, hardwood, seedling or 1510 Bare root hardwood trees 18-36" tall. Includes materials Each transplant, bare root, 16-36" and shipping only.